

CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA

CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS Regular Meeting of Monday, August 13, 2012 - 7:00 p.m. City Hall – Council Chambers

AGENDA ITEM#	SUBJECT	ACTION TAKEN
1.	Call to Order/Roll Call	All present except Vice Mayor Lob and Councilman Best. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.
2.	Invocation	Offered by Mayor Garcia.
	Salute to the Flag	The audience participated.
3.	Awards & Presentations	
3A)	Proclamation – Happy Birthday Miami Springs	Mayor Garcia expressed Happy Birthday wishes to the City of Miami Springs on the occasion of its 86 th anniversary.
3B)	Proclamation – Eagle Scout Day	Mayor Garcia proclaimed August 13, 2012 to be "Eagle Scout Day" in Miami Springs and congratulated Dimitri Alexander Anchipolovsky, Victor Nikolas Anchipolovsky, Daniel William Fried, Braden McNichols Harrington and Spencer Walker Steele.
3C)	Yard of the Month: July 2012	Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Recognition to Warren and Lois Peterson as the recipients of the "Yard of the Month" award for the month of July 2012.

3D) Yard of the Month: August 2012 Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of

Recognition to Deloris Chong Hershoff as the recipient of the "Yard of the Month" award for the month of August 2012.

3E) Certificate of Sincere

Appreciation – Carlos Blanco

Tabled.

4. Open Forum:

Police Pension

Cheryl Mulet of 201 Westward Drive spoke as a resident and not as a Police Department employee. She asked Council to think about the pension issues, the quality of police officers and the services they provide to the City and to reconsider the contributions the officers are making to the pension plan that are practically crippling them.

Police Pension

Walter Perez of 810 Morningside Drive stated that he is a concerned citizen and resident of 24 years. He was proud of the City until what he heard about the Police employees, which is an embarrassment since it would only take \$40.00 or \$50.00 per resident to pay for the officers who put their lives on the line. He said that there is money to pay for the golf course deficit, while the police officers cannot get a raise and they work to keep the residents safe.

Police Pension

Jimmy Deal of 201 Westward Drive was present as a resident to speak about the Police pension ordinance that is broken and needs to be fixed. It has been 60 days since the Impasse Hearing and Council has not asked the Pension Board or the Administration to solve the problem. On October 1st the pension contribution rate is going up 5.7% to a state high of 22.6% and they need help now.

4) Police Pension

Claire Gurney of 201 Westward Drive said that the amount of the pension contribution affects their lifestyle. Her contribution is now \$13,000 and is expected to increase to \$18,000. Officers are struggling, they cannot pay their bills and they are asking for help.

Police Pension/Referendum Questions

Charles Schubert of 201 Westward Drive said that he is appalled at the way the employees are treated. He referred to the Springs Connection and asked how a government agency can tell the residents how to vote on the length of the Council terms. He urged everyone to vote no on the Charter amendments and to consider what the City's most valuable asset is.

Police Pension

Jim Durden of 201 Westward Drive chose Miami Springs to raise his family because it is one of the safest communities due to the Police Department. He is proud to live here and is afraid that if the pension contribution is not fixed that the City will lose competent police officers.

Police Pension

Jason Hall of 201 Westward Drive said that on October 1st he will be contributing 22.6% to his pension fund which equals \$1,033 per month. This is the highest contribution in the State, which is a problem and it is difficult for some police officers to pay their bills.

Police Pension

Oscar Garcia of 201 Westward Drive referred to the quick response and level of service that the Police Department provides. He said that the service could end unless the pension problem is fixed and it must happen now.

4)	Police Pension (Continued)	Oscar Garcia referred to the commitments that were made to the Curtiss Mansion, the Golf Course, Community Center and the Public Works employees and asked Council make a commitment to the Police Department.
5.	Approval of Council Minutes	(Simultaneously approved)
5A)	06-25-2012 Special Meeting	Minutes of the June 25, 2012 Special Meeting were approved as written. Motion: Councilwoman Ator Second: Councilwoman Bain Vote: 3-0
5B)	06-25-2012 Regular Meeting	Minutes of the June 25, 2012 Regular Meeting were approved as written. Motion: Councilwoman Ator Second: Councilwoman Bain Vote: 3-0
5C)	07-26-2012 Special Meeting	Minutes of the July 26, 2012 Special Meeting were approved as written. Motion: Councilwoman Ator Second: Councilwoman Bain Vote: 3-0
6.	Reports from Boards & Comm	issions
6A)	General Employees Retirement System	Minutes of the May 3, 2012 General Employees Retirement System meeting were received for information without comment.
6B)	Police and Firefighters Retirement System	Minutes of the May 3, 2012 Police and Firefighters Retirement System meeting were received for information without comment.
6C)	Historic Preservation Board	Minutes of June 21, 2012 Historic Preservation Board the meeting were received for information without comment.

6D)	Ecology Board	Minutes of the June 26, 2012 Ecology Board meeting were received for information without comment.
6E)	Architectural Review Board	Cancellation Notice of the August 1, 2012 Architectural Review Board meeting was received for information without comment.
6F)	Zoning and Planning Board	Cancellation Notice of the August 6, 2012 Zoning and Planning Board meeting was received for information without comment.
6G)	Code Enforcement Board	Minutes of the August 7, 2012 Code Enforcement Board meeting were received for information without comment.
6H)	Golf and Country Club Advisory Board	Cancellation Notice of the August 8, 2012 Golf and Country Club Advisory Board meeting was received for information without comment.
61)	Board of Parks and Parkways	Cancellation Notice of the August 9, 2012 Board of Parks and Parkways meeting was received for information without comment.
6J)	Education Advisory Board	Cancellation Notice of the August 21, 2012 Education Advisory Board meeting was received for information without comment.
6K)	Board of Adjustment	Notice of Lack of a Quorum for the August 6, 2012 Board of Adjustment meeting was received for information without comment.

7. Public Hearings:

7A) Second Reading:

Ordinance No. 1037-2012 Tabled.

7B) Second Reading:

Ordinance No. 1038-2012 Tabled.

8. Consent Agenda: (approved with one motion)

8A) City Attorney's Invoice Council approved payment of the City

Attorney's invoice for July, 2012 in the

amount of \$11,421.00.

Motion: Councilwoman Ator
Second: Councilwoman Bain

Vote: 3-0

8B) Spotlights for the Rebeca

Sosa Theater Council **approved** an expenditure to

Miami Stagecraft, Inc., the lowest responsible quote, in the amount of \$16,909.50, for spotlights for the Rebeca Sosa Theater, pursuant to Section 31.11 (C) (2) of the City Code.

Motion: Councilwoman Ator **Second:** Councilwoman Bain

Vote: 3-0

8C) Change Order: Bike Path Repairs -

Wrangler Construction Council approved a Change Order of

\$4,700.00 to Wrangler Construction for additional work for the bike path repair

at 900 North Royal Poinciana

Boulevard, pursuant to Section 31.11

(F) (11) (c) of the City Code. **Motion:** Councilwoman Ator **Second:** Councilwoman Bain

Vote: 3-0

9. Old Business:

9A) Advisory Board Appointments None

10. New Business:

10A) CMI Historic Tax Credit

Transaction: Financial Statement

& Tax Return Preparation

Council waived the competitive bid process and approved an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$11,250.00, for financial statement audit and tax return preparation of the new entities established as part of the CMI historic tax credit transaction, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (6) (g) of the City

Code.

Motion: Councilwoman Ator **Second:** Councilwoman Bain

Vote: 3-0

10B) First Reading:

Ordinance No. 1039-2012

Tabled.

10C) Lease Extension Agreement with

STC Five, Assignee of Sprint

Tabled.

10D) Resolution No. 2012-3551

Tabled.

10E) Resolution No. 2012-3552

Council **adopted** a resolution providing for the fourth amendment to FY 2011-2012 Budget; by authorizing an Intrafund Departmental Transfer and appropriating undesignated reserves into General Fund Revenues to cover authorized and approved General Fund

expenditures; providing intent;

specifying compliance with budgetary

processes and procedures.

Motion: Councilwoman Ator
Second: Councilwoman Bain

Vote: 3-0

10F) Bids No. 04-11/12 and

05-11/12

Tabled.

10G) Miami Springs Woman's Club

Tabled.

10H) Prince Field Lighting – FRDAP

Matching Grant

Tabled.

12C) Pension Issues (Continued) City Manager Gorland said that there

will be an executive session with Council to go over the options. There

will have to be a compromise.

Basketball Camp Mayor Garcia announced that kids can

sign up for Basketball Camp at the

Community Center.

Bible Camp Mayor Garcia reported that his kids are

attending Grace Lutheran Church Bible

Camp this week and they are still

accepting registrations.

13. Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.